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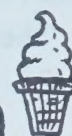
GUEST EDITORIAL

"How'd you like to write an editorial?" Jim asks. I, like the schmuck that I am, answer in the affirmative. "I'll need it in an hour." he continues. Remind me next time to keep my big mouth shut. So here I am, with forty lines of editorial to fill up, and a pathetically blank mind. Par for the course. I'm feeling quite mellow; nothing much is upsetting me. No material there. Well, since there's not much else to write about, let's talk about me. I am, give or take, the closest thing Modern Pink has to a staff artist. Some privilege; some people will do anything to get their work into print. But seriously folks, I enjoy doing what I do for MP -- at least when I understand what I do for MP. "I need a cover for the magazine." Jim mentioned last month. "No problem," I replied without thinking, "What did you have in mind?" "Oh, anything you want." Bad move, Jim. It's tough enough to reign myself in when I don't get carte blanche to draw whatever I want. "I need a heading for Kim's column"; "Can you draw me a cityscape?" and "Devon Mills' column needs a spotlight!" Gee, but it's nice to be appreciated. And after all this, Jim still asks me to write the editorial. He's got nobody to blame but himself. Thank you and good afternoon, --JOEY SAYER.



by Kim Wakeford.

Stands for more
than just
Dairy Queen.



I'm a dyke and I'M SO CONFUSED! But I know what you're thinking, "Aren't all dykes confused? This can't be the only one." Well, I'm not the only one, there are others. The thing is, I question what other dykes just don't seem to have time for. For example; are the big freight trains just C-Trains on steroids?, In the play Macbeth, would the opening battle between the two armies have ended by sunset if everyone was wearing cross country skis?, and is Mickey Mouse a closet gay? Believe it or not I actually plan to answer these and many other questions in the following months not just because I enjoy ridicule and self punishment but merely because I just love to share useless knowledge.

The topic for this month is "Why do we have the names we do?" According to Webster's Dictionary: dike, dyke, (dik) n. a trench, or earth dug out and thrown up: a ditch: a mound raised to prevent inundation: in Scotland, a wall

(geol) a wall like mass of igneous rock. Now I ask what does this have to do with lesbian women? Are we like rocks? Like walls? I think not! But lets have a closer look at the definition. "A ditch" was possibly a misspelling and maybe was meant to say "A bitch." Maybe when they were talking of igneous rock that had hardened like a wall they meant that dykes are the anti sperm. After all, sperm has been referred to as white lava that bursts forth at the moment of erotic climax. But if the names givers were referring to the dykes in Holland when they dubbed lesbians with this nick-name they were wrong, the only time I hold water is when I experience P.M.S. Or maybe the reason we use the term "dyke" is for the simple reason that it's easier to say than lesbian.

I do know a little more about the word faggot though. A faggot was what male witches were burned on after they had been caught and

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D.Q. - From pg 3

tried. Now the tradition has changed a little, fags no longer must tie burning male witches to themselves before they go into the bar. The Faggot was also the first form of S&M. **So now you know!**

Anyway, I hope this has answered these two useless questions, and be sure I will bring up more in the future. Next month the topic will be, "**Which celebrity would make the better Gay, Dyke, and D.Q.**" and don't you people worry, Mickey Mouse will be in the running.

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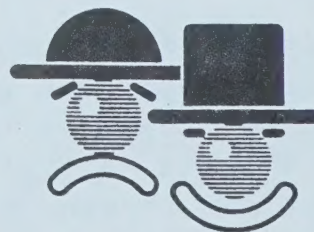
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Art - From pg 12

The Nickle Arts Museum opens its season with a "closing" for Maureen Enns: The Back of Beyond on Friday 8 September and on 15 September (both occasions start at 6 pm) the Annual M.F.A. Graduating Exhibition and Holy Faces, Holy Places, a photographic show of exotic religious orders in various parts of the world. Plan to attend. Admission is free at openings.

Another item of interest is the 16 September appearance of Mr. Devon Mills at the Green Room. His show entitled A BIT OF GLITZ, AND A BLAST OF BROADWAY, will be hosted by his famous impersonation of Joan Rivers. Rumors have it the evening will be a very special extravaganza unique to anything ever at the Green Room before.

The fall is always a good time to start visiting, and supporting, the art galleries and museums in Calgary; and the ART WALK is really a good time to begin. See You There!!



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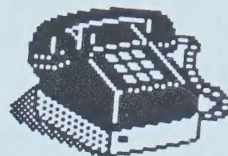


By Peter the D.J.

Top 20 Played at del rocko's
September 1989

1. This Time i Know It's For Real
DONNA SUMMER
2. Express Yourself, MADONNA
3. Jack To The Sound, HITHOUSE
4. Danger In Her Eyes,
DEBORAH SASSON & MCL
5. Stop, ERASURE
6. Harry Houdini, KON KAN
7. Too Many Broken Hearts,
JASON DONAVAN
8. This Is Acid, MAURICE
9. She Drives Me Crazy, F.Y.C.
10. Good Life, INNER CITY
11. Lay All Your Love On Me,
INFORMATION SOCIETY
12. So Alive, LOVE AND ROCKETS
13. Like A Prayer, MADONNA
14. Obsession, ANGELA BOWIE
15. Deep In Vogue, MALCOLM MCLAREN
16. I Don't Wanna Get Hurt,
DONNA SUMMER
17. Incognito, STACY Q
18. Bye Bye Mon Cowboy, MITSOV
19. Girl You Know It's True,
MILLI VANILLI
20. Kisses On The Wind,
NENEH CHERRY

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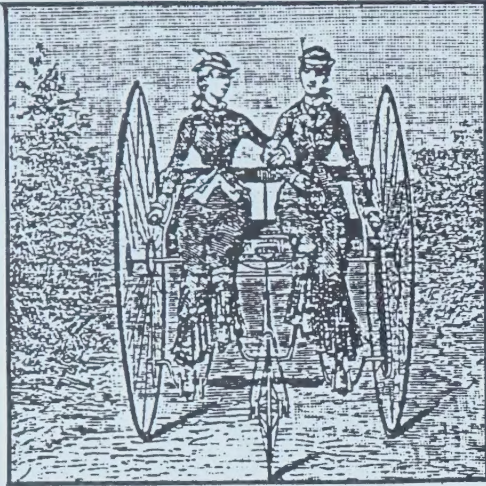
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Pretty in Pink

By Karen Whyte

An unusual study of HIV infection in lesbians was presented at the Montreal Conference on AIDS in June and reported in a recent issue of The Medical Post. It shows that although woman-to-woman transmission of HIV is very rare, lesbians should be considered among those at some risk for AIDS.

"The false notion that woman who identify or define themselves as lesbians are not at risk for HIV infection can lead to tragic misdiagnosis by health-care providers and lack of awareness by the women themselves," said Dr. Denise Ribble, of the Community Health Project at Bellevue Hospital in New York City. Although HIV infection and AIDS is a leading cause of morbidity and death in women aged 25 to 34 years in New York City, seroprevalence studies have so far considered only heterosexual and pregnant women for transmission risk despite national U.S. AIDS

surveillance data indicating 101 cases of AIDS in lesbians. Dr. Ribble's study included 31 HIV antibody-positive lesbians who were contacted at the Community Health Project, a primary-care AIDS assessment clinic, and in a support group for women with HIV infection.

The self-reported risk factor for HIV infection in 16 lesbians was intravenous (IV) drug use; seven had prior sexual contact with infected males by consent, force or sperm donation; five were prostitutes; two had woman to woman transmission; and, one received a contaminated blood transfusion.

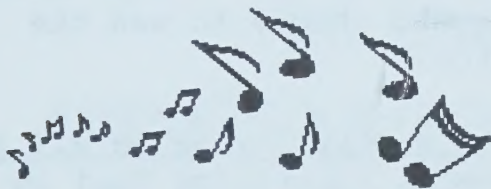
Dr. Ribble's statement on the importance of including lesbians in transmission studies was backed up by demonstrators at the conference from the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP) in New York, who held a protest against the fact that there was only one paper out of 7,000 at the meeting

JOHNNY T. PHANTOM'S TOP 10 **ALTERNATIVE** DANCE HITS

PLAYED AT THE WAREHOUSE

SEPTEMBER 1989

1. Bust a Move, YOUNG M.C.
2. Shake Your Rump, BEASTIE BOYS
3. Joy & Pain,
ROB BASE & D.J. EZY ROCK
4. It Is Time To Get Funky, D-MOB
5. Gangsta Gangsta, NWA
6. Work It To The Bone, LNR
7. Good Life, INNER CITY
8. I Gotta Bigga Dick, PINK NOISE
9. Rhythm Is The Master,
D.J CHUCK CHILLOUT
10. The Creation, THE 2 D.J.'S



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dealing with lesbians and AIDS.

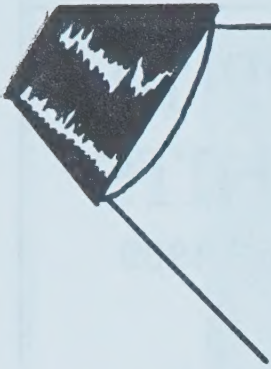
"There were no papers about woman-to-woman transmission of HIV, safer sex, or other issues related to lesbian sexuality and AIDS. No epidemiological statistics are being kept on woman-to-woman transmission." ACT UP said in a press release.

Source: Chris Gainer, The Medical Post, July 11, 1989.

SAFER SEX WORKSHOPS

will begin again this fall. Call AIDS Calgary for the date and location of the next scheduled workshop for gay and bisexual men. Or get 6 or more of your friends together (women too!!) and we'd be happy to arrange a special session for you.

**Safer sex is great sex.
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Under the Spotlight

A perspective from Mr Devon Mills

So your a drag queen? You don't look like a drag queen! How often when I hear an expression like that, I ask, oh really what does a drag queen look like?

Many gay men and women's opinions about drag, are, lets say "not - positive." Although drag has been around a long time, few are aware of it's origins dating back to Shakespearean theatre.

I've heard the expression why do you dress up like a girl, when you're a boy? And surprisingly I've heard it more often from the Gay public than the heterosexual public. I will admit gays have seen alot of drag; some done poorly like any field, entertaining or not; but also some very talented performances, and performers.

Many people feel dressing as a character ie. Cher, Liza, or Joan Rivers, not talent, but self adoration of gays to feel like a women. Sorry, I and many so called "Queens" enjoy being a man very much. I'm not trying to be soap boxed about drag, but feel I act more like a man than many of these "true" male homosexuals. I like to

feel I have an understanding of, and a simple appreciation for women, not to be confused with my imitation of a female star, but rather an admiration. This is something I hope I convey as well in my masculinity.

A fine line divides fags from gays, dykes from lesbians, and drag queens from female impersonators. I'm not writing this to point out lines we all know exist, but to say thankyou to those who choose to see the difference.

Living in a minority as we all do, its somewhat surprising that we continue to divide more within our own communities.

Enjoy an open mind and you find there are many facets of gay life, such as parties, relationships, leather, TV'S and yes, even the fun and entertainment of drag. Although we all don't partake in these, we are sometimes all to eager to condemn those who are involved in activities outside of our own niche.

Devon Mills

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Consumer Alert, is a place to let others know of discriminatory places or people, and to warn others of similar problems they may face in the future. As individuals we can do little to affect the way we are treated, but as a large group of people we can make a difference.

Send us a letter telling of your experience, maybe it was a place that was particularly

accommodating to you as a gay or lesbian person. Then others will know of a place where they will receive friendly treatment. Or let us know of a place to avoid, after all, why patronize someone who is unfriendly, or unwilling to recognize us for who and what we are, people!

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PINK FLASHES

OPRAH'S THE RICHEST

Talk show hostess Oprah Winfrey, is reported to be the richest woman on T.V. According to sources, her annual income from the Oprah Winfrey show exceeds \$40 million, while her production company is worth close to \$240 million.

SUMMERS SENTENCED

Gordon Arthur Summers who was charged with infecting several people with the HIV virus, pleaded guilty to the lesser charge of being a common nuisance, and was sentenced to a year in jail, with three years probation.

Lawyers for Summers are appealing the sentence, claiming maximum probation is illegal when added to a jail sentence. While awaiting the appeal, Summers will not be released on bail.

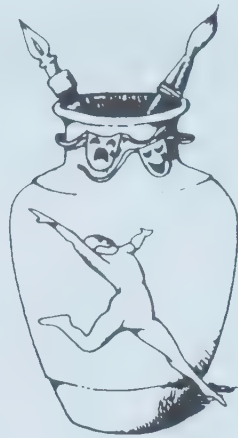
POLICE AT RISK ??

The Calgary police association is trying to obtain lists of all carriers of the HIV virus. Triggered by an August incident in Edmonton where an officer was bitten by a suspected carrier, the police force feels their current safeguards are insufficient, and need a list of carriers especially when they enter "high risk areas!!"

Modern Pink wonders what Calgary police officers are doing in Haiti, anyway.

ELECTRIC SEX ??

Glow in the dark condoms are now being manufactured in Britian, and will soon be available in North America. The British manufacturing company "Duravend" developed the product initially when film director Blake Edwards requested them for his movie "Skin Deep."



Art Talk

By Ricky von Arteest

The most important event in the visual arts in September takes place on Sunday the 17th: it's ART WALK - involving most of the art dealers and several art institutions in Calgary. It's a major fall opening for most and is a delightful opportunity to see, in one day, an enormous number of artists and their work. The great fun is the comparisons one can make - often from the very good to the indifferent - by viewing so much in a single day. The daily newspapers will have all the details, likely on Friday or Saturday prior to the event. So, join the strolling crowds for a day to remember. Art meets the street is an outdoor event in Tompkins Park (17 Ave and 8th St) on Saturday 16 September. It should be a nice warm-up for ART WALK!

The Nickle Arts Museum at the University is holding a special commemorative exhibition of interest: it will show the work of Michael Kelly (who died of AIDS)

from 3 - 15 October, with a special remembrance celebration on Saturday 14 October from 1 - 5 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Rob Milthorp's new multi-media installation POLY OPT ICON is showing throughout September at the Stride Gallery. Rob also opens in a two-person show (with Vern Hume) at the Nickle next March.

The Muttart Gallery opens its season on 7 September at 7 pm with LINKS TO REALITY, the work of Robert Harrison, Ronald McLellan and Blake Senini, which runs through the month.

The Glenbow season will feature ALTERNATE VISIONS, seven Alberta photographers from 16 September; COMMITTED TO PRINT: Social and Political Themes in Recent American Printed Art from 23 September; and continues its showings of the permanent collections.

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CALGARY'S TOP 10 RENTAL VIDEOS

1. Naked Gun
2. Burbs
3. Tequila Sunrise
4. Torch Song Trilogy
5. "Great Body" workout tapes
6. Fly II
7. Dangerous Liaisons
8. Dirty Rotten Scoundrels
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10. Red Scorpion.



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Lisa.

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Mikey;
happy belated 21st on the 27th of last month. You're great, don't ever change.

Love; Like oh my god!!

Megan;
We miss you already, best of luck in Montreal.

Luv...A bunch of Calgarians

Gay and Lesbian Youth Group of Edmonton meets every Saturday from 7-9 pm at the Westwood Unitarian Church, 11135 65 Ave (basement).

Happy Birthday Dan and Hayden, from all of us at L.G.Y.C.



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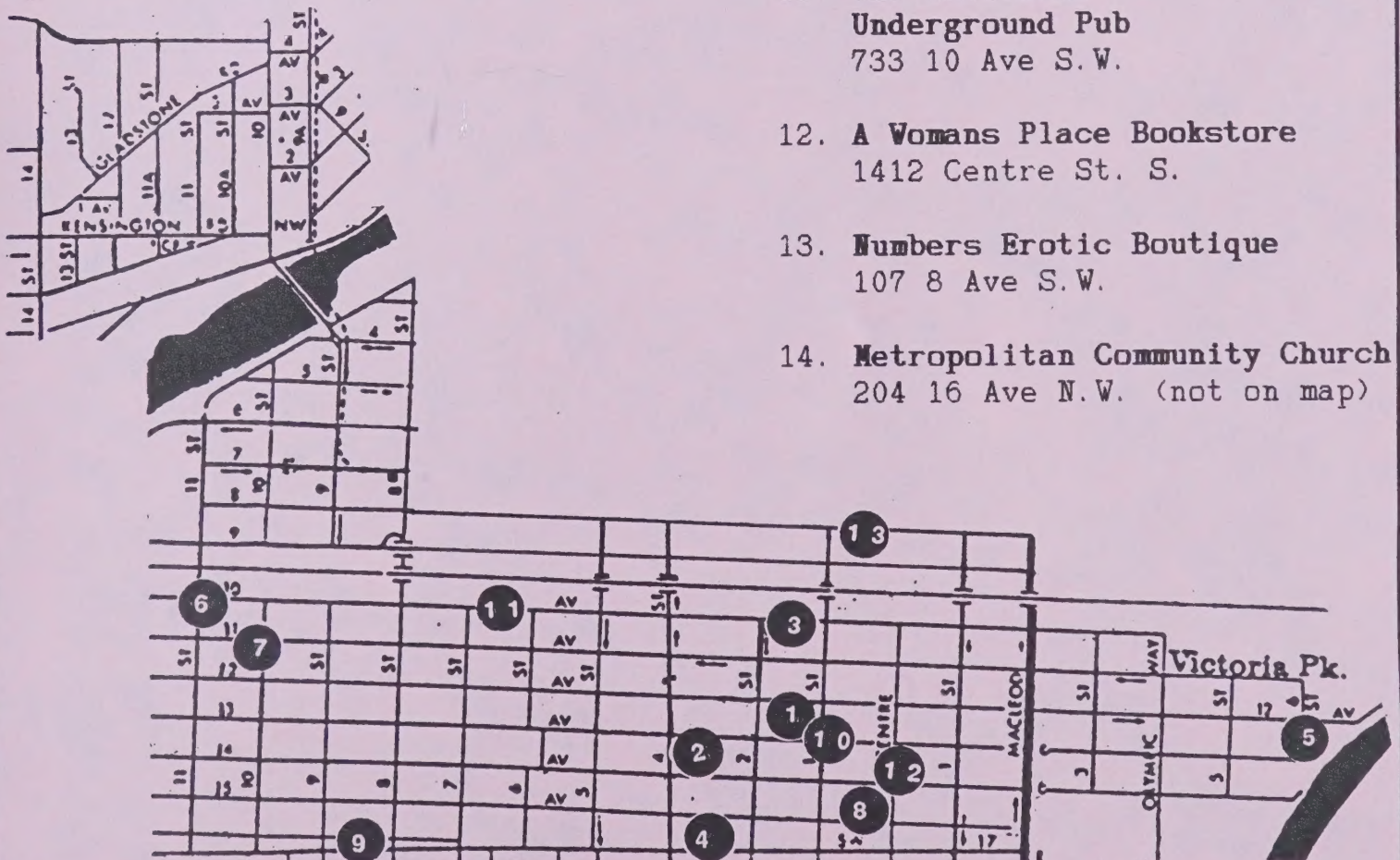
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